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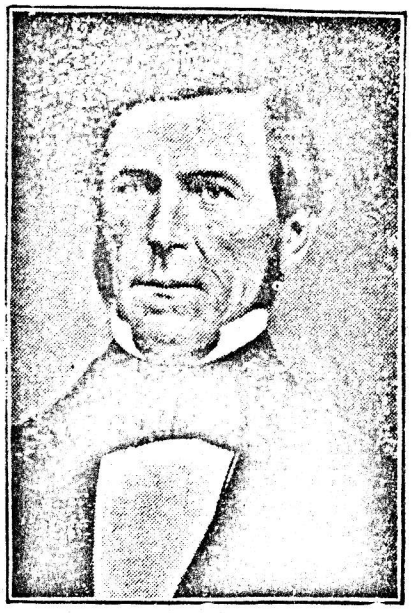

THOMAS GILLESPIE,
The First Broker.

Thomas Gillespie, who came here in 1831, was also in the city's first select council. He was a noted business man and the first broker in Carbondale. He died in 1860. In his will he left $5,000, a munificent sum for those times, to the American bible society that a previous injunction to "scatter the books" might be carried out in Luzerne, Wayne and Susquehanna counties.

$5,000 bequest

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